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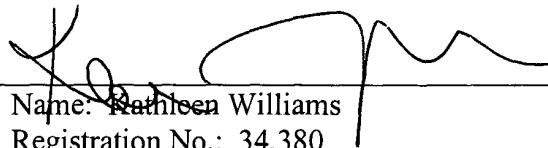
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Applicant respectfully petitions under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an Extension of Time of One Months to file a Response in the above-identified patent application. This will serve to extend the time for filing the Response to the Final Office Action mailed May 6, 2003 from August 6, 2003, up to and including September 6, 2003.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, enclosed is the requisite extension fee of \$55.00 for maintaining the pendency of the present application. The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 25436/1712. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed for that purpose.

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